

REMARKS

The Examiner has required election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of a single species selected from:

- influenza virus;
- respiratory syncytial virus;
- parainfluenza virus; and
- newcastle disease virus.

The Examiner has also required a listing of all claims readable thereon.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's requirement for election of species. Applicants submit that, pursuant to MPEP § 803.02, to search the subject matter of the limited number of negative strand RNA viruses together would not be a serious burden on the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants request that the requirement be withdrawn.

However, in order to be fully responsive, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, influenza virus. Applicants believe that claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 11-13, 16-18, 21-25, 27, 28, 33, 34, 38, 39, 43-46 and 49-51 read on the elected invention and species.

Entry of the remarks made herein is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned with any questions concerning the foregoing.

Attorneys for Applicants retain the right to petition from the restriction requirement under 37 U.S.C. § 1.144.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request that the present remarks be made of record in the instant application. If any issues remain in connection herewith, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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